

Falls City, School District #57

Community Profile:

Population 1,000

Location Falls City

Position Description:

Sponsor Falls City School District #57

Supervisor Peter Tarzian

Assignment

The RARE participant will assist Falls City School District in expanding its service-learning program, serving as a project coordinator working with teachers and community organizations in supporting students, as well as teachers, as they work to implement their self-identified service learning activities. There are a number of duties associated with this position, including writing grants, identifying potential community partners, project planning, and on-going evaluation of the progress of the schools' service-learning programs.

In addition, the RARE participant will assist district staff in preparing a charter school proposal, and working on an application to the Oregon Department of Education to obtain a Serve-Oregon grant that will support the expansion of FCSD's service-learning program.

Required Skills

The RARE participant will need excellent verbal and written communication skills; project management skills; and an appreciation for working with educators, children, and community leaders.

RARE Member: *Sara Gladding - 2003-2004, Year 10 Participant*

Sara Gladding holds a B.A. in Interdisciplinary Studies with an emphasis in Sustainable Development from The Friends World Program of Long Island University, and studied in the International Development Technology graduate program at Humboldt State University. While in college, she worked with a number of community development organizations, including the Taos Pueblo Agricultural Program in Taos, NM; the Jajarkot Permaculture Programme in Surkhet, Nepal; and the Palestinian Center for Microprojects Development in East Jerusalem. Sara has also worked as a substitute teacher/aide for San Lorenzo, Eureka, Fortuna School District.